

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace ¶ 001 of Applicant's specification with the following replacement paragraph:

[001] This application claims priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/451,054 filed February 28, 2003, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. Further, this application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/787,217, now U.S. Patent No. 7,236,987—~~(Attorney Docket No. 06502.0565-00000)~~, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/787,320, now U.S. Patent No. 7,430,568—~~(Attorney Docket No. 06502.0568-00000)~~, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING SNAPSHOT CAPABILITIES IN A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/787,321, now U.S. Patent No. 7,447,939—~~(Attorney Docket No. 06502.0570-00000)~~, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PERFORMING QUIESCENCE IN A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/787,324, now U.S. Patent No. 7,383,381—~~(Attorney Docket No. 06502.0571-00000)~~, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR CONFIGURING A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, and U.S. Patent Application No. 10/787,323, now U.S. Patent No. 7,290,168—~~(Attorney Docket No. 06502.0572-00000)~~, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A MULTI-PATH NETWORK SWITCH SYSTEM," and filed concurrently herewith, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.